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In re Patent Application of:

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For: SON 2199 IMAGE PROCESSING
APPARATUS, IMAGE PROCESSING
METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM

Examiner: P. L. Edwards

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.